

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants	:	O'Donnell et al.	)	Examiner:
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Filed	:	September 26, 2003	)	
For	:	THERMOTOGA MARITIMA DELTA	)	
		PRIME POLYMERASE SUBUNIT AND USE	)	
		THEREOF	)	

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL  
AND  
REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Primary Examiner's decision dated December 18, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 5, and 7-16.

Applicants hereby request an extension of time of three months from the due date of March 18, 2007.

Please charge the \$500 appeal fee and the \$1,020 extension of time fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1138. Any additional fees or any overpayment can be charged/credited to Deposit Account No. 14-1138.

Respectfully submitted,

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